



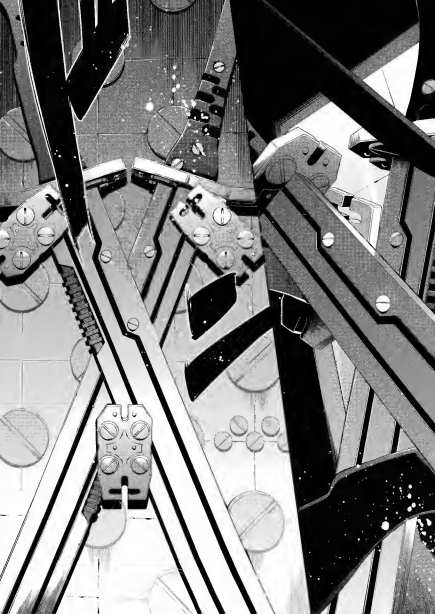
Tercio

I'm going
to introduce
your new
Principal.

I know
it's right on
the heels of
the last one,
but we've got
a new job
for you.

Tercio





Tercio-

-The name of a 16th century infantry organization, or battle formation, originating in Spain and primarily composed of mercenaries.

-Also, the name of a world-leading PSC

Private Security Company

Tercio is not a private military company, but purely a private "security" company;

they do not field soldiers, only professional bodyguards.

兵 Most of the bodyguards employed by Tercio are people 込む。

テルシオ who due to special circumstances まとんでは、

特殊な are able to boast of supernatural abilities が多い。

隠秘 Occultists, mad scientists, cryptids

一般 These men and women possessing abilities を、

特殊系譜 whose origins are known as those of "special genealogy." だ。

Her
name
is-



Someone
is
attempting
to take
her life.

Tonia
Kosmatos...

a
native
of
Greece.



Your job
is not
/just/
to
protect
her.

...so,
our next
job is
protecting
this girl?

Oh!
She's
a kid,
knock
it off!

Ara,
she's
cute

Fine...



Our
commission
this time
is to

I said,
you
bodyguards'
job is not
/just/ to
protect
her.

?



train her
to be a
fully-fledged
bodyguard.

That's
how it is.
This client
is a
big-shot
even
among the
big-shots.

I
don't
think
that
we
can
refuse-

While
pro-
tecting
her,
train
her?

Huh!!??

4!!

=



I · re · fu · se.



Having to
babysit
at the
same time
would make
things
difficult.



We risk
our lives
to protect
people.



Sorry.
That older
girl has
a bit
of a
harsh
person-
-ality...

Ahhh,
Tsukasaaa.
To call it
'baby-
sitting'
is...



NYA
AAA
AAA
AAA
!!!!!!?

ま
にゅ

う
う

It's OK,
Xinling.
She's
complimenting
you.

??

Just
saying
whatever

Somehow
it just
seemed
easy
to pinch.

NYA
NYA
NYA
!!?

Why
did
you
pinch
my
cheek!?

Oh, I see.
She's
complimenting
me.
Chehe

!!!
...

?



-Listen
up.

If you refuse
to take this job,
I'm going to put off
the update to the
current terms of
your contract.

O...
We're
being
oppress-
ed...!

Wh...

We
can't!

C... Can't
we come
to some
sort of
arrange-
me-

It seems that
the client really
is a bigshot
among bigshots.



While
protect-
ing her,
train
her...
huh.



All your jobs
from now on
will have the
parallel
objective
of
contributing
to Tonia
Kosmatos's
training.

I can't
believe
I got stuck
with having to
simultaneously
guard and
educate her...

I
don't
know
how.
I should
interact
with her.

When we
walk like
this it's
like I'm
really a
babysitter.

Tsukasa and
Tonia will
be in charge of
accomplishing
this new
objective.



We're going to work, of course.

Hm?

... Where are we going?

Hey



In any case, you can't keep addressing me as 'hey,' so let me introduce myself properly.

My name is Tsukasa Yakuouji, a high-school student at Kenri Academy.

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If you weren't, I don't expect they would have picked our team to take charge of your education.

You're probably one too. Maybe.

?

... I'll give you a full explanation soon.

-So



-Anyway, I'm one of the 'abhumans' and work as a Special Protection Assistant... Well, to put it briefly, I'm a bodyguard.

?

'Abhumans' ...?

You don't know about that? (Ah, she reacted)



[10 rhinoceroses are apparently traditionally reputed to be fool-squashed in Japan]

... I make it
a point not
to say
too much
about myself.

are you
going to
tell me
anything
about
yourself
other
than
your name?

... Well,
what-
ever.

Is she a
rhinoceros?



This
elementary
school
should be
the place-

- Well
then



A client said he wants us to protect his elementary school-aged son.

According to the Tercio Information Division's threat assessment, the threat level is low.

The Principal, Norito Fukuda.

This isn't a very dangerous commission

Is what he said.

The use of up to C-pack armaments is permitted. For now, I'll have you get Tonia used to the atmosphere of the job.

according to him.



I saw people saying he's a piece of shit on the Net. A whole flood of comments.

They say that he's a salaryman who doesn't know his place.

Oi, your pops is in the news.



What's the matter? Say something.

Ahh but your parents have already divorced, haven't they?



It's none of your concern?

Because your parents are divorced you don't care? It doesn't bother you?



Hey

-Oh



!?

!!?



あああ？

Even if
I'm dealing
with a kid,
I can be
merciless
depending
on my mood.

Ahh, what
should I do?
Shall I break
one of your
arms before
leaving?

You're
unpleasant
after all.



W...
what the
hell,
you bitch.

Let
me
go!



またこれ

Eeeeeeeek

We're
your-

W...
who
are
you?

!







It's not like that. I got you coffee.

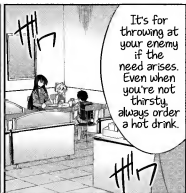


... I might be a kid, but it's no use trying to butter me up with things like this.



Are you really real bodyguards? This isn't some game of pretend played by female high school students?

Hey



It's for throwing at your enemy if the need arises. Even when you're not thirsty, always order a hot drink.

...
You've
even
got
a kid
with
you.

...You
know,
that's
not
very
convinc-
ing.

Hee

If a
fight
actually
breaks
out,
you'll
see.

Tonia's
not a
kid.

ti na

The press is
everywhere,
making a
nuisance of
themselves.
-On top
of which...

I
don't
want
to go
back.

Why?

...Anyway,
shall we
return
to the
hotel?

I was
told
that your
mother
had taken
shelter
some-
where

I'm
not
a
kid!

... No
matter
how you
look at it,
you're
a kid!

Don't
you
watch
the
news?

Why...
are
they
target-
ing
you?

Right now,
my mother
is at her
wits' end
and is
acting
strange.

My
father
is a
whistle-
blower.



On the Internet,
people see him
as an
attention-seeking
idiot who rattled
the Japanese
economy.

ML



内部告発は捏造

...But the
evidence
presented
to the
police was
fabricated.

He exposed
fraud being
committed
by a large
company.
He accused
them of
falsifying
their financial
records
in order to
evade
taxes.

Even
though
my parents
are
divorced...
It's
causing
me
trouble.

Why
just set
a fire
and then
run
away!

If you're
going to
make an
accusation,
then see it
through
to the
end...!

It was
strongly
requested
by your
father-
Toshiki
Fukuda.

Then
why
are
you
here!

Tercio's
information
division
also judges
the threat
to be small.

What's
more,
right
after
he made
his
accu-
sations
he
vanished.

What's
up
with
that?
Shit...!

If he feels that way then I wish he would just not drag me into his affairs in the first place.

"Just in case."

Anyway, I'm going to have you return to the hotel. It's safest there.

going to the bath-room.

I'm



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I'm not going back there. I'll find a Manga Cafe again or something...



What a dumb-ass.

Kids are so easy.

They leave their bodyguards behind on their own.



Oil!

Yo

Let go of...



Wh... Seriously...?

Cough
cough
cough

Oh?
That might be true,
but you see,
we don't have
any other clues-

He
doesn't...
care
about
me...

My...
father
is div...
orced...

You're
right
www~

Nah,
that wasn't
for real.
Give me a
break already.

Ha

Ha

I mean,
did you just
kick a kid
for real?
That's uncool
man!

(-Tsk- www - hi)

My
legs
won't
move-

Run...

Yeah.

W...what's
up with
these
guys...

Run...

Right
then,
let's grab
him and
scram.



What
the...



There's
not much
bodyguards
can do if they
don't get
cooperation
from the
Principal.

Oi,
stop
running
off
like
that.



H a a i ?

what
are you
blabbering
about?

A female
high school
student
who's a
bodyguard...

Are you
making
fun
of me?
-Dumb-
ass!

A
little
girl
like
you-



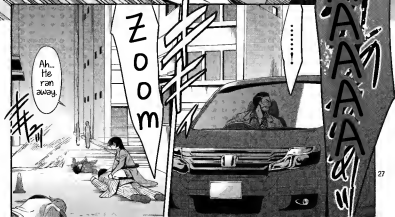




Argh!



Don't
get
fuckin'
cocky...





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メール送信
Mail sending

Ping

I've sent you
the photos and
fingerprints
of the guys
we captured.
See what you
can find out.

月形昌平

00:21

We were
attacked
while
on duty.

... What
happen-
ed?

-I'll
send
them to
the Infor-
mation
Division
immedi-
ately.



Strange...

This mission was chosen for training the newbie.

504

系統了
not wanted

The top brass, at least, wouldn't have been expecting this kind of attack.

That guy
is no
ordinary
whistle-
blower-

This...
is all my
father's
fault...



To be tossed about by your old man's circumstances sucks, doesn't it.

I was also put through a lot of trouble by mine.



You... You too...?



"SDF Official Commits Suicide By Jumping from Building"

"Ministry of Defense Top Brass, Dead in Hit-and-Run Accident"

"SDF Suicides One After Another"

...Tsukasa,
you are
our
trump
card.

You've got
to survive,
no matter
what
happens.

"Dead
in
Hit-
and-
Run"



...Where
were
you...?




We made a
report
after tying
them up.
About now,
the local
police
should be
taking
them into
custody.

We're
currently
proceeding
towards
Tercio's
Japanese
branch office.

What
about
the men
who
attacked
you?

I found
criminal records
associated
with the faces
and
fingerprints
you sent me.





What's more, they belong to an elite combat faction, a rarity these days

!

They're yakuza members.

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The Kugikamikai Group's Nezimaki Family.

Speaking frankly, they're too dangerous to hire to deal with some corporate whistleblower.

Y...
Yesh...
Boss...

...so you're saying you abandoned the three of them and saved your own skin?

A r g h

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I didn't think there was any need for me to go out myself to get a single brat, but...

Nezimaki Family • Boss
Nezimaki Kaname

Gather the soldiers together immediately.



Bring out
the cars
as well.

Nezimaki Family

Squad Leader

Ohuchi

Nezimaki Family

Assistant Squad Leader

Soejima

Mermaid Lovers - Enemy Characters Exposition

(Some weapons that appear in the second half of the talekaiwa are also present, read at your own risk.)



Chapter 1

The weapon used by the Asian hitmen is the MP5 series suppressor (silencer) version of the H&K (Heckler & Koch) submachine gun, MP5SD.

It combines a suppressor incorporated into the gun barrel with 9mm calibre subsonic bullets, and exhibits extreme high levels of noise reduction.

In reality, I wondered whether a newer high power submachine gun wouldn't be better, but for this kind of thing it's important that the appearance be easily recognizable, so I went with the major bestseller.

!STORY01



Chapter 2 ~ Chapter 4

!STORY03-
!STORY04

A female member of a combat faction of the Yakuza who will do anything for money, Kaname Nezumi.

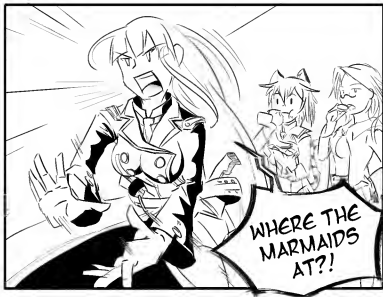
G12 shotgun. A Bulpup pump-action design. Its characteristic feature is its two high-capacity magazine tubes. At any rate it's a shotgun whose design I thought was nice.

It's all well and good that I decided to give Kaname a gun, but choosing the right one was a bit of a headscratcher.

A gun with impact is good. But if the choice was too eccentric then the gun would stick out and disrupt the flow of the story.

A shotgun is good... but it can't be too ordinary, and it can't be too unique either. This KSG would be just right, wouldn't it...! is how I came to choose it. Kaname herself is pretty strong even without a gun.

She can throw a punch or a kick. She's also learned basic tackles and pinning techniques, and is an overall martial artist type.



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